

Lesson Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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Title: INTELLIGENCE MISSION DURING HUMANITARIAN OPERATIONS

Operation/Exercise Name: GTMO (GUANTANAMO)

Observed: 25 Feb 1992

Originator: JTF J-2

POC: CAPT K. QUIMBY Commercial: () - DSN: 4845708

5. (U) OBSERVATION:

An intelligence mission consistent with JTF-GTMO's mission, to include formal essential elements of information, was not directed prior to, or in the early stages of the operation.

6. (U) DISCUSSION:

There was initial reluctance to associate intelligence assets with the humanitarian nature of the operation. The J-2 was relegated to being a quick reaction camera crew, photographing and taking video of incidents as they occurred. The J-2 was also being looked upon as the main point of reporting these incidents by intelligence reports (INTREP) to CINCLANT. Initially, this use of intelligence assets not only prevented a coordinated collection effort from occurring, but also hindered the timeliness of the analytical and dissemination process.

7. (U) LESSON LEARNED:

Realization that there is a legitimate intelligence mission associated with humanitarian actions. That mission is to provide the commander, his staff and higher subordinate headquarters with: (A) indications and warning to assist with internal security of the migrant camps, (B) intelligence information pertinent to the situation in the country of migrant origin, and the impact this situation will have on the influx of migrants to the camp, and (C) recommendations concerning internal security requirements of the migrant camps.

8. (U) RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Utilize the foregoing mission statement for intelligence planning and implementation throughout humanitarian operations. Initiate counterintelligence operations at outset in conjunction with initial in-processing

procedures to identify potential agitating migrants early on. Promulgate essential elements of information (EEI's) from the senior commander on down. Ensure that the public affairs, civil affairs and PsyOps representatives are in tune with all operations for on the spot reporting, thus allowing intelligence equipment to be utilized to support ongoing intelligence operations.

9. (U) COMMENTS:
None.

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